

**PILGRIM
COMMANDERY**

Lowell, Mass.

1870.

CHARTER

AND

BY-LAWS

OF

Pilgrim Commandery,

K. T.,

LOWELL, MASS.,

TOGETHER WITH A

LIST OF MEMBERS.

1870.

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COPY OF CHARTER

Committee on Revision of By-Laws:

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WILLIAM F. SALMON,
WILLIAM E. LIVINGSTON.

Committee on Printing: The above, with

ARTHUR G. POLLARD, Recorder.

COPY OF CHARTER.

To all to whom it may concern:

*The Grand Encampment and the Appendant Orders
of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, convened
and assembled in the city of Boston, Massachu-
setts, on the tenth day of October, A.D., 1855;
O. A., 737,*

SEND GREETING:

*Whereas, a petition has been presented to
the Grand Encampment from PETER LAWSON, S. K.
HUTCHINSON, SAMUEL W. BROWN, WILLIAM A.
RICHARDSON, WILLIAM S. GARDNER, WILLIAM NORTH,
JOSEPH BEDLOW, JOHN MORROW, CHARLES THOMP-
SON, TAPPAN WENTWORTH, AUGUSTUS A. PUTNAM,
ADDISON PUTNAM, C. F. BLANCHARD, AMOS SAN-
BORN, EDWARD TUCK, LEVI H. STRAW, RANSOM*

REED, FRANCIS BUSH, ISAAC HOSMER and J. M. MARSTON, residents of the town of Lowell, Mass., all true and courteous Knights of the Red Cross, Knights Templars, and Knights of Malta, that a Charter may be granted them to open and hold an Encampment of Knights Templars and Council of the Appendant Orders in the city of Lowell aforesaid, for the benefit of the institution and its members. But being deeply impressed with a sense of the necessity and importance of discipline and subordination, and persuaded that in order to support the honor and dignity of the institution it is essentially necessary that there should be an acknowledged head and tribunal of superior authority to protect their rights and privileges, and to redress their wrongs and injuries,

Now be it Known, that we, the Grand Encampment aforesaid, considering that the interest of the Institution will be promoted by granting the prayer of said petitioners, have authorized and empowered, and do by these presents authorize and empower the said Peter Lawson and his associates aforesaid, to form, open and hold a regular and constitutional

Encampment of the valiant and magnanimous Orders of Knights of the Red Cross, Knights Templars, and Knights of Malta of the Order of St. John at Jerusalem, by the name, style and title of the

Pilgrim Encampment,

To confer those orders respectively upon tried and worthy candidates, to make By-Laws and Ordinances for their own government, to admit members, and to do and transact all such matters and things as are lawful and proper to be done and transacted in such an assembly. And furthermore, we do hereby declare the rank and precedence of the said Pilgrim Encampment in the Grand Encampment, and elsewhere, to be number eight, and of the said Pilgrim Encampment we do nominate and appoint Sir Peter Lawson to be the first Grand Commander; Sir Samuel K. Hutchinson, Generalissimo; Sir Samuel W. Brown, Captain General; Sir William A. Richardson, Recorder.

And we hereby enjoin it upon the said Pilgrim Encampment, to see that their officers are regular in their attendance upon the assemblies of the Grand Encampment in person or by proxy, to be punctual

in making their returns to the Grand Recorder, and the payment of their dues to the Grand Treasurer and to conform in all their doings to the Constitution, Rules and Edicts of this Grand Encampment, otherwise this charter and the privileges hereby granted, to cease and be of no further effect.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the Grand Encampment to be hereunto annexed the day and year first above written.

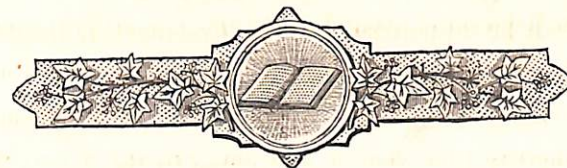
S. W. ROBINSON,
Grand Master.

JOHN McCLELLAN,
Grand Generalissimo.

CYRUS FISHER,
Grand Captain General.

ATTEST :

CALVIN WHITING,
Grand Recorder.



BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE 1.—ORGANIZATION.

MEMBERS.

SECT. 1. Pilgrim Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders shall consist of a Commander, Generalissimo, Captain-General, Prelate, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Treasurer, Recorder, Sword Bearer, Standard Bearer, Warder, Three Captains of the Guard, Organist, Sentinel, and as many Knights as a majority of the members may from time to time think proper.

ELECTIONS.

SECT. 2. The first eight enumerated officers shall be elected annually by written ballot at

the Regular Assembly in October, the others shall be appointed by the Commander immediately after his installation.

There shall also be elected annually one member to serve as a Trustee in the Masonic Association for three years from the January succeeding said election.

INSTALLATION.

SECT. 3. The officers shall be installed within one month from the time of election or appointment, and hold their offices until their successors shall have been installed.

VACANCIES.

SECT. 4. Should any elective office become vacant, such vacancy shall be filled,—a dispensation from the Grand Commander having been obtained therefor,—at the next Regular Assembly after notice has been given. Should any appointed office become vacant, such vacancy shall be filled by the Commander.

ARTICLE 2.

ASSEMBLIES.

SECT. 1. This Commandery shall assemble on the next Wednesday evening after the full of the moon in each month, and also upon such special occasions and at such place and hour as the Commander shall direct, provided however that by vote of the Commandery the Regular Assemblies in July and August may be omitted.

ARTICLE 3.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

SECT. 1. The duties and prerogatives of the several officers of this Commandery shall be such as are prescribed by the Grand Constitutions and the ritual of the order, with the following special requirements.

TREASURER.

SECT. 2. The Treasurer shall have the custody of the property and revenue, and make payments when duly authorized by the standing committee.

He shall render a full statement of all receipts and expenditures at the annual assembly, and also an inventory of the property of the Commandery in his charge.

He shall deliver to his successor, within thirty days after election, all the property remaining in his possession.

RECORDER.

SECT. 3. The Recorder shall issue notices of all meetings to every member of the Commandery, bearing thereupon the business to be transacted, and the names of all applicants for orders or membership.

He shall furnish the Chairman of each committee with a copy of the vote by which he was appointed, together with the names of his associates.

He shall at the annual assembly present in writing, the number of names of candidates and members admitted, the amount of money received, and the number of meetings held.

ARTICLE 4.—COMMITTEES.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

SECT. 1. The Commander, Generalissimo, and Captain-General shall be a Standing Committee to examine all bills before being paid by the Treasurer, and to certify their approval by the signature of at least two members.

They shall examine into and decide upon all petitions for charity, and annually audit the accounts of the Treasurer and Recorder, and direct the financial affairs of the Commandery, unless otherwise ordered.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES.

SECT. 2. All Committees, except the Standing Committee, shall report their doings at the next regular assembly after their appointment.

ARTICLE 5.—MEMBERSHIP.

BALLOTING.

SECT. 1. *Com. pa.* Knights Templars may be admitted to membership at the regular assemblies only, by the unanimous ballot of the members present, after having been *at least 14 days* proposed ~~one month~~, their names being inserted in the notification for the assembly at which the ballot takes place; provided however, that when the applicant for membership receives his orders in another Commandery his petition shall be referred to a committee, and their report made before balloting.

No one shall be entitled to the privileges of membership until he has signed the By-Laws and paid the admission fee, and a neglect to conform to these requirements within three months after being notified by the Recorder, shall necessitate a new election.

WITHDRAWAL.

SECT. 2. Any member may withdraw from this Commandery by vote of the majority of

the members present, at any regular assembly, provided all his dues are paid.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

SECT. 3. Knights Templars who have been eminently useful to the institution, or to this Commandery in particular, may be admitted Honorary Members by being proposed and balloted for in the same manner as provided for members; they shall not be subject to annual dues or assessments, but may enjoy all the rights and privileges of members, except that the right to vote shall not pertain to those who were not previously members of this Commandery.

ARTICLE 6.

CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS.

APPLICATIONS.

SECT. 1. Every candidate for the orders shall make application in writing, enclosing *in the form*

minute
the fee, accompanied by a certificate from three Royal Arch Masons that he has regularly received the degree of Royal Arch Mason, and is of good moral character. His application shall be referred to a committee, and no ballot shall be taken until a majority of said committee shall have reported.

BALLOTING.

SECT. 2. A ballot may be taken upon any application for the orders at the next assembly after the expiration of fourteen days from its reception.

Every member present shall vote unless excused by the *Com*mandery, and no debate shall be in order after the balloting has commenced.

The candidate shall be entitled to three ballotings only, and it shall require a unanimous ballot to accept. If not accepted the fee shall be returned. *If accepted*

the negotiable to appear under 6 mths from the time of ballot acceptance, he shall forfeit the fee. Provided however, that the Chapter may by majority vote return the fee on any case.

ARTICLE 7.

FEES.

SECT. 1. The fees to be paid in this Commandery by applicants for the orders, or for membership, shall be as follows :

For the orders, . . .	<i>Lib</i>	\$75.00	<i>40</i>
For membership if Knighted in this Commandery, <i>Chp</i>		3.00	<i>1</i>
For membership if Knighted elsewhere, <i>Reg</i>		10.00	<i>5</i>
For Diploma, . . .		2.00	

SECT. 2. Every member, except the *Chp* Prelate, Treasurer, Recorder, Sentinel, and Honorary Members, shall pay ~~four~~ *one* dollars as annual dues.

SECT. 3. The fees for the orders and for membership, must in all cases accompany the application. The annual dues must be paid on or before the annual assembly.

SECT. 4. The Recorder shall be paid fifty dollars per annum. The Organist twenty dollars per annum. The Sentinel three dollars for each assembly. *per meeting*

ARTICLE 8.

REGALIA.

SECT. 1. It shall be the duty of every member to provide himself with the proper regalia of this Commandery, and no one shall be admitted into the line unless in full regalia.

ARTICLE 9.

DISCIPLINE.

SECT. 1. Any Knight Templar divulging any of the transactions of this Commandery to any person not a Knight of the order, or who may be guilty of unknighly conduct, and any member of this Commandery who may be in arrears to the amount of eight dollars, renders himself liable to trial for suspension or expulsion.

ARTICLE 10.

AMENDMENTS.

No amendment to these By-Laws shall be considered at the assembly at which it is

offered, but shall be referred to a committee, and their report made at a subsequent assembly, when it will be in order for action, if notice thereof is upon the notification for said assembly.

The assent of two-thirds of the members present and voting, shall be necessary for the adoption of any amendment.

*Grand Commandery of Knights Templars
and Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and
Rhode Island.*

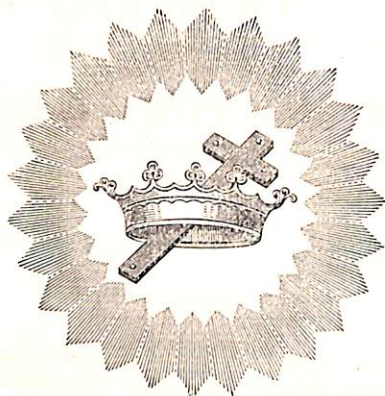
Approved by

BENJAMIN DEAN,

R. E. Grand Commander.

JANUARY 27, 1870.





OFFICERS
OF
PILGRIM COMMANDERY,
UNDER CHARTER.

1855.

- Sir Samuel K. Hutchinson, Grand Commander.
“ Cadwallader F. Blanchard, Generalissimo.
“ Samuel W. Brown, Captain General.
“ William North, Prelate.
“ Augustus A. Putnam, Senior Warden.
“ William S. Gardner, Junior Warden.
“ Amos Sanborn, Treasurer.
“ William A. Richardson, Recorder.
“ Maynard Bragg, Sword Bearer.
“ Solon Stevens, Standard Bearer.
“ Joel Spalding, Warder.
“ Addison Putnam, First Guard.
“ Francis Bush, Second Guard.
“ Edward Tuck, Third Guard.
“ John Morrow, Sentinel.

1856.

Sir Samuel K. Hutchinson, Grand Commander.
 " Cadwallader F. Blanchard, Generalissimo.
 " Samuel W. Brown, Captain General.
 " William North, Prelate.
 " Augustus A. Putnam, Senior Warden.
 " William S. Gardner, Junior Warden.
 " Amos Sanborn, Treasurer.
 " Charles C. Hutchinson, Recorder.
 " Edward Tuck, Sword Bearer.
 " Joseph Bedlow, Standard Bearer.
 " Joel Spalding, Warder.
 " Addison Putnam, First Guard.
 " Francis Bush, Second Guard.
 " Jonathan P. Folsom, Third Guard.
 " John Morrow, Sentinel.
 " Theodore Edson, Chaplain.

1857.

Sir Samuel K. Hutchinson, Grand Commander.
 " Cadwallader F. Blanchard, Generalissimo.
 " Samuel W. Brown, Captain General.
 " William North, Prelate.
 " D. Goodwin Lang, Senior Warden.
 " William S. Gardner, Junior Warden.
 " Edward Tuck, Treasurer.
 " Charles C. Hutchinson, Recorder.
 " Hocum Hosford, Sword Bearer.
 " Isaac F. Scripture, Standard Bearer.
 " Joel Spalding, Warder.
 " Addison Putnam, First Guard.
 " Jonathan P. Folsom, Second Guard.
 " William F. Salmon, Third Guard.
 " Albigeance W. Fisher, Sentinel.
 " Theodore Edson, Chaplain.
 " Edward B. Howe, Organist.

1858.

Sir Samuel K. Hutchinson, Grand Commander.
 " Cadwallader F. Blanchard, Generalissimo.
 " William S. Gardner, Captain General.
 " William North, Prelate.
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 " William F. Salmon, Junior Warden.
 " Edward Tuck, Treasurer.
 " George W. Bedlow, Recorder.
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 " Joel Spalding, Warder.
 " Samuel T. Lancaster, First Guard.
 " Josiah E. Short, Jr., Second Guard.
 " Addison Putnam, Third Guard.
 " Albigeance W. Fisher, Sentinel.
 " Theodore Edson, Chaplain.
 " Edward B. Howe, Organist.

1859.

Sir Cadwallader F. Blanchard, Grand Commander.
 " William S. Gardner, Generalissimo.
 " Joseph Bedlow, Captain General.
 " William North, Prelate.
 " Samuel T. Lancaster, Senior Warden.
 " William F. Salmon, Junior Warden.
 " Edward Tuck, Treasurer.
 " George W. Bedlow, Recorder.
 " Jonathan P. Folsom, Sword Bearer.
 " Isaac F. Scripture, Standard Bearer.
 " Hocum Hosford, Warder.
 " George E. Dana, First Guard.
 " Josiah E. Short, Jr., Second Guard.
 " Addison Putnam, Third Guard.
 " Albigeance W. Fisher, Sentinel.

1860.

Sir Cadwallader F. Blanchard, Grand Commander.
 " William S. Gardner, Generalissimo.
 " Joseph Bedlow, Captain General.
 " William North, Prelate.
 " Samuel T. Lancaster, Senior Warden.
 " William F. Salmon, Junior Warden.
 " Edward Tuck, Treasurer.
 " George W. Bedlow, Recorder.
 " Sager Ashworth, Sword Bearer.
 " Isaac F. Scripture, Standard Bearer.
 " Hocum Hosford, Warder.
 " George E. Dana, First Guard.
 " Josiah E. Short, Jr., Second Guard.
 " Addison Putnam, Third Guard.
 " Albigence W. Fisher, Sentinel.

1861.

Sir William S. Gardner, Grand Commander.
 " Joseph Bedlow, Generalissimo.
 " William F. Salmon, Captain General.
 " William North, Prelate.
 " Samuel T. Lancaster, Senior Warden.
 " Hocum Hosford, Junior Warden.
 " Edward Tuck, Treasurer.
 " Henry P. Perkins, Recorder.
 " Addison Putnam, Sword Bearer.
 " Ruel J. Walker, Standard Bearer.
 " Sager Ashworth, Warder.
 " George E. Dana, First Guard.
 " Josiah E. Short, Jr., Second Guard.
 " Richard W. Baker, Third Guard.
 " Albigence W. Fisher, Sentinel.
 " Edward B. Howe, Organist.

1862.

Sir William S. Gardner, Grand Commander.
 " Joseph Bedlow, Generalissimo.
 " William F. Salmon, Captain General.
 " William North, Prelate.
 " Samuel T. Lancaster, Senior Warden.
 " Samuel D. Sargeant, Junior Warden.
 " Edward Tuck, Treasurer.
 " Henry P. Perkins, Recorder.
 " Ruel J. Walker, Sword Bearer.
 " Jonathan Rice, Standard Bearer.
 " William H. Jaquith, Warder.
 " Thomas G. Gerrish, First Guard.
 " George J. Carney, Second Guard.
 " James C. Abbott, Third Guard.
 " Albigence W. Fisher, Sentinel.
 " Edward B. Howe, Organist.

1863.

Sir Joseph Bedlow, Grand Commander.
 " William F. Salmon, Generalissimo.
 " Samuel D. Sargeant, Captain General.
 " William North, Prelate.
 " Samuel T. Lancaster, Senior Warden.
 " George J. Carney, Junior Warden.
 " Jonathan P. Folsom, Treasurer.
 " Henry P. Perkins, Recorder.
 " Josiah E. Short, Jr., Sword Bearer.
 " Jonathan Rice, Standard Bearer.
 " Ruel J. Walker, Warder.
 " Charles E. A. Bartlett, First Guard.
 " Tobias L. P. Lamson, Second Guard.
 " Richard W. Baker, Third Guard.
 " Alfred S. Saunders, Sentinel.
 " Edward B. Howe, Organist.

1864.

Sir William F. Salmon, Grand Commander.
 " Samuel D. Sargeant, Generalissimo.
 " Samuel T. Lancaster, Captain General.
 " William North, Prelate.
 " Charles A. Stott, Senior Warden.
 " George Ripley, Junior Warden.
 " Jonathan P. Folsom, Treasurer.
 " Henry P. Perkins, Recorder.
 " James W. B. Shaw, Sword Bearer.
 " Albion J. Dudley, Standard Bearer.
 " John M. Pevey, Warder.
 " Stephen C. Sanborn, First Guard.
 " James C. Abbott, Second Guard.
 " Stephen W. Huse, Third Guard.
 " Alfred S. Saunders, Sentinel.
 " Edward B. Howe, Organist.

1865.

Sir William F. Salmon, Grand Commander.
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 " Samuel T. Lancaster, Captain General.
 " William North, Prelate.
 " Charles A. Stott, Senior Warden.
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 " Jonathan P. Folsom, Treasurer.
 " Henry P. Perkins, Recorder.
 " James W. B. Shaw, Sword Bearer.
 " Albion J. Dudley, Standard Bearer.
 " John M. Pevey, Warder.
 " Leonard Brown, First Guard.
 " Samuel J. Gibby, Second Guard.
 " Stephen W. Huse, Third Guard.
 " Stephen K. Fielding, Sentinel.
 " Edward B. Howe, Organist.

1866.

Sir Samuel D. Sargeant, Grand Commander.
 " Samuel T. Lancaster, Generalissimo.
 " Charles A. Stott, Captain General.
 " William North, Prelate.
 " George W. Bedlow, Senior Warden.
 " John M. Pevey, Junior Warden.
 " Jonathan P. Folsom, Treasurer.
 " James W. B. Shaw, Recorder.
 " James G. Bradt, Sword Bearer.
 " Isaac Cooper, Standard Bearer.
 " Henry P. Perkins, Warder.
 " Leonard Brown, First Guard.
 " Samuel J. Gibby, Second Guard.
 " Stephen W. Huse, Third Guard.
 " Stephen K. Fielding, Sentinel.
 " Edward B. Howe, Organist.

1867.

Sir Charles A. Stott, Grand Commander.
 " Hocum Hosford, Generalissimo.
 " George W. Bedlow, Captain General.
 " William North, Prelate.
 " John M. Pevey, Senior Warden.
 " Charles E. A. Bartlett, Junior Warden.
 " Jonathan P. Folsom, Treasurer.
 " Arthur G. Pollard, Recorder.
 " Frederick Frye, Sword Bearer.
 " Asa D. Clark, Standard Bearer.
 " Stephen W. Huse, Warder.
 " Merrill S. Wright, First Guard.
 " Charles R. Kimball, Second Guard.
 " Alfred H. Chase, Third Guard.
 " Hiram N. Hall, Sentinel.
 " Edward B. Howe, Organist.

1868.

Sir Charles A. Stott, Grand Commander.
 " Hocum Hosford, Generalissimo.
 " George W. Bedlow, Captain General.
 " William North, Prelate.
 " Charles E. A. Bartlett, Senior Warden.
 " Henry P. Perkins, Junior Warden.
 " Jonathan P. Folsom, Treasurer.
 " Arthur G. Pollard, Recorder.
 " Frederick Frye, Sword Bearer.
 " Asa D. Clark, Standard Bearer.
 " Stephen W. Huse, Warder.
 " George F. Scribner, First Guard.
 " Charles R. Kimball, Second Guard.
 " Alfred H. Chase, Third Guard.
 " Hiram N. Hall, Sentinel.
 " Edward B. Howe, Organist.

1869.

Sir Hocum Hosford, Grand Commander.
 " George W. Bedlow, Generalissimo.
 " Charles E. A. Bartlett, Captain General.
 " William North, Prelate.
 " Stephen W. Huse, Senior Warden.
 " Henry P. Perkins, Junior Warden.
 " Jonathan P. Folsom, Treasurer.
 " Arthur G. Pollard, Recorder.
 " N. Warren Norcross, Sword Bearer.
 " Asa D. Clark, Standard Bearer.
 " Frederick Frye, Warder.
 " Julian V. Keyes, First Guard.
 " John N. Pierce, Jr., Second Guard.
 " John C. Blood, Third Guard.
 " Hiram N. Hall, Sentinel.
 " Edward B. Howe, Organist.

TRUSTEES

OF THE

MASONIC ASSOCIATION.

1867.

SIR WILLIAM S. GARDNER.
 " WILLIAM F. SALMON.
 " CHARLES KIMBALL.

1868.

SIR WILLIAM F. SALMON.
 " CHARLES KIMBALL.
 " CHARLES A. STOTT.

1869.

SIR CHARLES KIMBALL.
 " CHARLES A. STOTT.
 " WILLIAM F. SALMON.



LIST OF MEMBERS
OF
PILGRIM COMMANDERY.

Atkinson, John B., Withdrew.	Bancroft, Jefferson
Abbott, James C.	Ball, Benjamin, Deceased.
Ashworth, Sager	Bedlow, George W.
Armington, Pardon, Withdrew.	Bacon, Levi, Deceased.
Allen, Otis	Beck, Samuel
Andrews, William	Bartlett, Charles E. A.
Adams, Theodore	Bancroft, E. Dana, Withdrew.
Abbott, John W.	Bickford, Selwyn E.
Bragg, Maynard, Deceased.	Burnham, Walter
Brown, Samuel W., Deceased.	Bennett, Wilder
Blanchard, Cadwalder F., Deceased.	Baker, Richard W.
Bush, Francis, Withdrew.	Butler, Frederick, Withdrew.
Butler, Benjamin F.	Blood, Albert, Withdrew.
Bush, Edward, Withdrew.	Brown, Leonard
Butcher, Robert H.	Bradt, James G., Deceased.
	Brigham, Oramel A.

Bacon, Horace B.
Blood, John C.

Call, Royal,

Deceased.

Converse, Joshua,
Suspended for non-payment of
dues.

Cooper, Isaac

Clark, Asa D.

Carney, George J.

Crocker, Daniel P.,

Withdrew.

Chase, Alfred H.

Clifford, Weare

Comins, George T.

Caswell, Clark R.

Coburn, Edward F.

Dana, George E.

Dudley, Albion J.

Drew, Reuben W.

Eastman, Isaac C.

Fisher, Albigeance W.,

Deceased.

Folsom, Jonathan P.

French, Abram

French, Amos B.

Farmer, Joseph S.

Frye, Frederick

Fuller, Samuel S.

Fletcher Henry, H.

Gerrish, Thomas G.

Gibby, Samuel J.

Hosmer, Isaac,

Deceased.

Hutchinson, Charles C.

Howe, Edward B.

Hosford, Hocum

Huse, Stephen W.

Haskins, John F.

Hinds, W. H. W.,

Withdrew.

Hartwell, Cephas L.

Hall, Hiram N.

Hayden, Willard B.,

Withdrew.

Hendee, Thomas W.,

Deceased.

Hill, Charles H.

Ingalls, Charles N.

Jones, Edward F.

Joslyn, Elbridge,

Withdrew.

Jaquith, William H.,

Withdrew.

Jenkins, William,

Withdrew.

Jenkinson, Joseph,

Deceased.

Jaques, Frank T.

Kimball, Charles

Keyes, J. Victor

Keyes, Joseph B.,

Deceased.

Kimball, Charles R.

Kimball, Charles A.

Kendall, Charles A.

Lang, Bickford

Lang, D. Goodwin,

Withdrew.

Leonard, Abel W.

Lancaster, Samuel T.

Lanson, T. L. P.

Leslie, Edwin C.

Lewis, Rufus S.,

Suspended for non-payment of
dues.

Livingston, William E.

Lynch, Alonzo K.

Leland, William

Marston Jonathan M.,

Withdrew.

Morrow, John,

Suspended for non-payment of
dues.

Morse, Henry O.

Melvin, N. P. H.

McAlvin, John B.

Morrill, Charles

Morse Charles H.

Marsh, Thomas J.

Norcross, Cornelius H.,

Withdrew.

Norcross, N. Warren

North, Frederick T.

Nichols, Albert F.

Ober, Oliver

Putnam, Augustus A.,

Deceased.

Putnam, Addison

Phelps, Lorenzo

Philbrick, Moses E.

Page, E. Frank,

Withdrew.

Pevey, John M.

Perkins, Henry P.

Patch, John W.,

Deceased.

Pearson, George H.,

Withdrew.

Persons, Albert C.

Pollard, Arthur G.

Peirce, John N., Jr.

Richardson, William A.,

Withdrew.

Reed, Ransom,

Deceased.

Runels, George

Rice, Jonathan

Runals, R. K.,

Robinson, D. Frank,

Withdrew.

Ripley, George

Raynes, George W.

Richards, Luther

Read J. Henry

Stevens, Solon

Spalding, Joel

Sanborn, Amos

Straw, Levi H.,

Withdrew.

Salmon, William F.

Sargeant, Benjamin C.,

Deceased.

Swapp, Andrew F.

Scripture, Isaac F.

Slocum, John P.

Sargeant, Samuel D.

Short, Josiah E. Jr.

Saunders, Alfred S.

Shaw, James W. B.

Sawyer, Samuel,

Withdrew.

Sanborn, Stephen C.

Sargeant, Dana,

Withdrew.

Stott, Charles A.

Stowe, John,

Withdrew.

Scribner, George F.

Stevens, Solon W.

Stacy, Lucien P.

Sanborn, Nathaniel C.

Thompson Charles

Tuck Edward

Thorne James
Thompson Joseph P.
Tuck, Edward M.

Vickery, Dexter B.,
Withdrew.

Wentworth, Tappan
Wright, Isaac Hull
Wheeler, Albert

Walker, Ruel J.
Wood, Robert
Waite, Aldis L.
Wright, Atwell F.
Wallace, Stephen
Walker, William
Wright, Merrill S.
Wiggin, Dudley

Young, J. Frank



LIST OF SIR KNIGHTS WHO HAVE RECEIVED DEGREES BUT NOT MEMBERSHIP.

Benner, Myrick A.
Cogswell, John F.
Homer, Charles W.
Hallett, Milo G.
Heald, Jeremiah W.
Paige, S. Bailey
Puffer, Freeman W.

Richmond, Andrew A.,
Deceased.
Sawyer, Eugene W.
Simmons, William H.
Thissell, E. Amri
Wright, Thomas,
Deceased.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

SIR SAMUEL K. HUTCHINSON.
" JOSEPH BEDLOW.
" WILLIAM S. GARDNER.
" WILLIAM NORTH.
" STEPHEN K. FIELDING.
" THEODORE EDSON.



CONSTITUTION OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY

OF KNIGHTS TEMPLARS AND APPENDANT ORDERS
OF MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND.

ADOPTED OCTOBER 29, 1869.

ARTICLE I.—GRAND COMMANDERY.

STYLE AND TITLE.

SECT. 1.—The style and title of this Body is “The Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.”

JURISDICTION.

SECT. 2.—Its jurisdiction extends over the territorial limits of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

POWERS.

SECT. 3.—In it alone is vested the right and duty, which it cannot delegate, to superintend and govern all Commanderies of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders within this jurisdiction.

It has exclusive power to grant Dispensations and Warrants for forming and opening Commanderies of the above Orders, and to extend or revoke the same.

It enacts statutes and issues edicts, and amends and repeals the same.

It censures, suspends, and erases Councils and Commanderies, and holds any of their members amenable for any violation or neglect of its statutes and edicts.

It has supreme authority, throughout this jurisdiction, in all matters pertaining to Templar Masonry, subject only to the ancient landmarks of the Order, and the Grand Encampment of the United States.

MEMBERS.

SECT. 4.—It shall consist of a Grand Commander, Deputy Grand Commander, Grand Generalissimo, Grand Captain-General, Grand Prelate, Senior Grand Warden, Junior Grand Warden, Grand Treasurer, Grand Recorder, Grand Sword-Bearer, Grand Standard-Bearer, Grand Warder, Grand Captain of the Guards, Grand Sentinel,—*ex officiis*; of all Past Grand Commanders, and Grand Masters, Past Deputy Grand Commanders, and Deputy Grand Masters, Past Grand Generalissimos, and Past Grand Captains-General of this Body; of the Commanders, Generalissimos, and Captains-General, for the time being, of

all subordinate Commanderies under this jurisdiction; and of all Past Commanders of such subordinates, so long as they are members of Commanderies, under this jurisdiction, in good standing.

The above-named Present and Past Officers (the Grand Sentinel excepted), and Representatives and Past Commanders of subordinate Commanderies, are the only voters in this Grand Commandery.

A permanent member has but one vote in his own right as such, and but two in any case.

ATTENDANCE AND PROXIES.

SECT. 5.—Each of the officers named in the preceding section, save and except Past Commanders and the Grand Sentinel, being unable to attend the Assemblies in person, shall have the power to appoint a proxy, who shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of his constituent, except that of taking his rank in Grand Commandery.

Such proxy must, at the time of his service, be a member of *the same subordinate Commandery as his principal*, and a Templar of not less than three years' standing, and must present a properly authenticated certificate of his appointment.

OFFICERS, ELECTION, AND TITLES.

SECT. 6.—The first nine officers shall be chosen by written ballot; the others, by appointment of the Grand Commander.

No Knight is eligible to any office in this Grand Commandery, unless he be a member of some subordinate Commandery, and a Templar of not less than three years' standing.

The officers thus chosen shall serve until their successors have been installed. The title of the Grand Commander is "RIGHT EMINENT"; that of Deputy Grand Commander, "VERY EMINENT"; of the other Grand Officers, "EMINENT."

ASSEMBLIES.

SECT. 7.—This Grand Commandery shall assemble in October and May of each year, at such time and place as the presiding officer shall appoint,—in October, for the election of officers and the transaction of the annual business; and in May, for the exemplification of the work and ritual, the transaction of such special business as shall be presented, and the consideration of such matters as pertain to the general good of the Order.

Special Assemblies may be held at the pleasure of the presiding officer; but no business shall be transacted at a Special Meeting save that which was specified in the original notice.

PREROGATIVES AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

SECT. 8.—The Grand Commander shall have a watchful supervision over all the subordinate Commanderies, and see that all the constitutional enactments, rules, and edicts of the Grand Encampment of the United States, and of this Grand Commandery, are duly and promptly obeyed.

The Grand Commander and Deputy Grand Commander, at their pleasure, visit and preside in any subordinate Commandery, and give such instruction and direction in the work and ritual as the good of

the Order may require; always conforming to the ancient landmarks and this Grand Constitution. The Deputy Grand Commander, in the event of the death, removal or physical incompetency of his superior, shall act as the Grand Commander.

It is the duty of the Grand Commander, in person or by one of his Council, to visit and examine every subordinate Commandery under Dispensation once in three months, and every chartered Commandery annually, and cause a report of the same to be made at the Annual Assembly of this Grand Commandery.

It is the duty of the Grand Treasurer to report to the Grand Commander or presiding officer, whenever and as often as there shall be a surplus of one hundred dollars in the treasury, not subject to any appropriation already made; and to invest the same by and with the advice of the first two officers.

It is the duty of the Grand Recorder, annually, to communicate to the Grand Recorders of all State Grand Commanderies, and to the Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment of the United States of America, a list of all the Grand Officers of this Grand Commandery, and all such other matters as the Right Eminent Grand Commander shall deem to be for the general good of the Order, or useful for their information.

The other duties of the above officers, and the duties of the other officers, are such as are traditionally appropriate to their offices, and such as may be required of them by this Grand Commandery and the Grand Commander.

NEW COMMANDERIES.

SECT. 9.—Dispensations for forming and opening new Commanderies, upon the petition of not less than nine Knights Templars residing within the jurisdiction, may be issued by the Grand Commander during recess of the Grand Commandery only,—Dispensations so issued to be of force only until the succeeding stated Assembly of this body, unless continued by vote thereof; *provided, however*, that no Dispensation shall be issued without the consent of the Commandery nearest to the place where the new one is to be located; and, if in that town or city there is more than one, the consent of all shall be obtained.

Charters shall be granted by vote of the Grand Commandery alone, and at a Stated Assembly.

A Commandery formed within this jurisdiction, without a Dispensation or Charter, as above provided, shall be deemed illegal; and all communication between Commanderies under this jurisdiction, and the members of such illegal ones, is hereby strictly forbidden.

FEES FOR DISPENSATIONS AND CHARTERS.

SECT. 10.—The fees for a Dispensation are forty dollars to the Grand Commandery, and three dollars to the Grand Recorder; and, for a Charter, sixty dollars to the Grand Commandery, and seven dollars to the Grand Recorder; and, for a Charter without a previous Dispensation, one hundred dollars to the Grand Commandery, and ten dollars to the Grand Recorder. In no case shall a Dispensation or Charter

be issued, until the required fees shall have been paid to the Grand Treasurer.

GRAND FUND.

SECT. 11.—One-tenth of the unincumbered funds of this Body, at its Annual Assembly in October, 1859, and one-tenth of its present and future income, shall be set apart, and shall form a "Grand Fund"; the interest only of which shall be expended, for charitable and other purposes, at the discretion of this Grand Body; *provided, however*, that no portion of the interest shall be expended for any purpose whatever, until the principal shall amount to five thousand dollars. The unexpended income of the fund, and all donations to the same, shall be annually added to the principal. Until this fund shall amount to five thousand dollars, it shall not be in knightly faith to diminish the rate of increase as provided above.

The Grand Commander, Grand Treasurer, and Grand Recorder, shall be a Committee to be styled "The Grand Fund Committee," whose duty it shall be to attend to the safe and profitable investment of this fund. They shall also make a detailed report, in writing, of its condition at each and every Annual Assembly in October. A failure so to do shall render them ineligible to re-election for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE II. SUBORDINATE COMMANDERIES.

MEMBERS.

SECT. 1.—Every subordinate Commandery shall consist of a Commander, Generalissimo, Captain-General, Prelate, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Treasurer, Recorder, Sword-Bearer, Standard-Bearer, and Warder, and such other officers and members as may be found convenient.

ASSEMBLIES.

SECT. 2.—Every subordinate Commandery shall assemble at least quarterly for improvement and business.

JURISDICTION.

SECT. 3.—Every subordinate Commandery shall have exclusive jurisdiction in receiving applications for, and conferring the Orders of Knighthood over, all territory lying nearer the usual travelled routes to its place of meeting than to that of any other Commandery; *provided*, that any Commandery may waive this jurisdiction in favor of any persons desirous to apply to any other Commandery.

OFFICERS: ELECTION AND DUTIES.

SECT. 4.—The first eight officers shall be elected by written ballot: the others may be appointed by

the Commander at the pleasure of the Commandery. The officers thus chosen shall serve until their successors shall have been installed. The title of the Commander is "EMINENT." The Commander of a subordinate Commandery has it in special charge to see that the By-Laws of his Commandery and this Grand Constitution are duly observed; that accurate records are kept, and just accounts rendered; that regular returns to this Grand Commandery are made annually; and that the annual dues are promptly paid. He calls special Assemblies of his Commandery at pleasure; and it is his duty, with his Generalissimo and Captain-General, to attend all Assemblies of this Grand Commandery.

The duties of the other officers are such as are traditionally appropriate, and such as may be assigned them by the Commandery or the Commander.

OBLIGATION.

SECT. 5.—The officers of every subordinate Commandery before installation, and every candidate upon admission, shall take the following obligation, viz: "I, ———, do promise and vow that I will support and maintain the Constitution of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and the Constitution of the Grand Encampment of the United States of America."

ANNUAL RETURNS.

SECT. 6.—Every subordinate Commandery shall make a return to the Grand Recorder of this Grand

Commandery, on or before the tenth day of October, annually, of the roll of its officers and members, of all candidates for the Orders, accepted or rejected; and shall pay to this Grand Commandery five dollars for every Knight created, and an annual fee of three dollars.

ORDERS, FEES AND RULE OF SUCCESSION.

SECT. 7.—No subordinate Commandery shall confer the Orders of Knighthood for a less sum than thirty dollars, nor on any person who shall not have regularly received the several degrees of E.A., F.C., M.M., M.M.M., P.M., M.E.M., and R.A.M.; and no candidate for the Orders shall be balloted for, unless he shall have stood proposed at least fourteen days, unless a Dispensation therefor shall be obtained from the R.E. Grand Commander. The Orders shall be conferred in the following succession, viz:—1. KNIGHT OF THE RED CROSS; 2. KNIGHT TEMPLAR; 3. KNIGHT OF MALTA.

SOJOURNERS.

SECT. 8.—It is not regular for a subordinate Commandery to confer the Orders of Knighthood upon any sojourner from any State or place in which there is a Commandery regularly established, except by consent of the Commandery having jurisdiction. Any Commandery which violates this regulation shall be subject to knightly discipline, and be required to pay, on demand, to the Commandery having jurisdiction, the amount of fees received.

Any Commandery may, however, take cognizance of the conduct of sojourning Knights.

QUESTIONS.

SECT. 9.—In every Assembly of Knights, all questions, except of the admission of candidates and members, and of matters specially reserved by the By-Laws, shall be decided by a majority vote,—the presiding officer, if a member, being entitled to one vote, and, in case of a tie, to the casting vote.

COSTUME.

SECT. 10.—The costume of this Grand Commandery and its subordinates is such as is, from time to time, approved by this Grand Body.

OPENING AND CLOSING.

SECT. 11.—All Councils and Commanderies should be opened and closed in due and ancient form; and Commanderies with devotion.

AMENDMENTS.

SECT. 12.—This Grand Constitution may be altered or amended by vote of two-thirds of the members present at any Annual Assembly in October.



